



Washington

School for the Deaf

Early Intervention Specialist

Open Competitive Recruitment

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Job Postings

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Human Resources

Department

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Our employees are more than just workers. They are ambassadors to the entire state and the Deaf community.

We're looking for people that can contribute, grow, think, and dream. We thrive in a culture that embraces diversity and rewards imagination.

At WSD, it's about being your best in a challenging and constantly changing environment.

The Washington School for the Deaf offers a Family Infant Toddler Program, a family-centered educational program, to serve children ages birth to 3 years. This Early Intervention Specialist works with families who have young children who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing.

This recruitment is for an in the Outreach Department at the Washington School for the Deaf, which is located in Vancouver, Washington.

SALARY RANGE: \$36,000 - 57,000 per year, depending on experience and qualifications. This is a school-year based position.

PRIMARY DUTIES (including but not limited to):

- Conduct home visits to provide ongoing support for parents and family members who have children with hearing loss.
- Provide information on various methods of communication, sign language instruction, and assistance with amplification devices such as hearing aids and cochlear implants.
- Conduct weekly playgroups, toddler groups and family support groups to improve language development and social skills through play activity.
- Provide family resource coordinator services to include developing individualized family service plans and case management.
- Conduct monthly family nights to provide an opportunity for families to socialize with each other, as well as others from the Deaf community.
- Collaborate with school administrators, school personnel, and parents to ensure a safe and positive learning environment for children.
- Improve professional competence through participation through staff development activities.
- Use effective special education instruction materials and techniques to teach.
- Maintain certification as required.
- Other responsibilities as assigned by the supervisor.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of principles, techniques, and methods of developing and implementing behavioral support plans.
- Knowledge of the unique educational needs of Deaf and hard-of-hearing students.
- Ability to communicate effectively with teachers, school staff, parents, school district personnel and Deaf and hard-of-hearing students.
- Ability to use technology effectively.
- Ability to use professional judgment and carry out all assigned responsibilities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Washington State Teacher Certification.
- Master's Degree in Early Childhood Special Education, Deaf Education or Special Education.
- Must meet the "highly qualified" criteria established by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 and NLCB.
- Fluency in American Sign Language and in written English.
- Desirable qualifications include prior experience working with Deaf and hard-of-hearing students, but new graduates are welcome to apply.
- Applicants are required to submit official transcripts.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Background inquiries of convictions and pending criminal charges will be completed on applicants prior to the appointment to positions at the Washington School for the Deaf. Information obtained from background inquiries will not necessarily preclude employment but will be considered in determining the applicant's character, suitability and competence to perform in the position applied for and may result in a denial of employment. Applicants will be required to sign a release authorizing the background inquiry. Failure to do so may disqualify the applicant from employment.
- Applicants must submit official transcripts and copies of credentials to the Human Resources office.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed application, official transcripts, letters of recommendation, and copies of credentials to:

Washington School for the Deaf
Human Resources Office
611 Grand Blvd.
Vancouver, WA 98661

Applications are accessible on the internet at www.wsd.wa.gov or by contacting the Human Resources office at (360) 696-6525 ext 4326 (V/TTY) or by email at april.rounds@wsd.wa.gov.

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APPLICANTS WITH DISABILITIES WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE HIRING PROCESS FOR ANY PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR SENSORY IMPAIRMENT. APPLICANTS MAY SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WITH JOB APPLICATIONS TO WSD HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT. THE DECISION TO GRANT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

Serving Deaf and hard of hearing children throughout the State of Washington